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Title: CHITOSAN AND METHOD OF PREPARING CHITOSAN

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111 (NON-FINAL)**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed August 3, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

Under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate fee are as follows (check time period desired):

X 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) – Extension within first month

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